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CARD OF THANKS

I would like to say thank you to all my kind friends for the cards, flowers and kind wishes during my recent illness.

—Mrs. Ida Tims.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

IN THE ESTATE of Alfred McMillan, late of the Village of Crossfield, in the Province of Alberta, Retired, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the above named Alfred McMillan, who died on the Third day of June, A.D. 1948, are required to file with the executors, Henry McDonald and Ed. Meyers, care of their solicitors, Lipsett and Collier, 310 Grain Exchange Bldg., Calgary, Alta., by the First day of February, A.D. 1949, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the executors will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or which have been brought to their knowledge.

DATED at Calgary, Alta., this Eighth day of December, A.D. 1948.

Lipsett and Collier,
Solicitors for the Executors,
310 Grain Exchange Bldg.,
Calgary, Alta.

Christmas With Pioneers Had Deep Religious Meaning



CHRISTMAS on the frontier, as new bands of pioneers pushed ever westward to carve an empire out of the virgin plains and wildernesses, was in marked contrast to the present holiday.

There was more meaning then in the words of the Book concerning shepherds in a certain country watching their flocks by night. The solitude, the closeness of the stars, the virginity of the new world and the humble people made one feel that time had stood still. Christmas in those days somehow seemed much closer to that first Christmas.

Those bleak plains could be the ones the Wise Men crossed, this the Night and you sleeping village, Bethlehem. The faith of the trail breakers was that of the Wise Men.

On Christmas Eve the pioneer folks would gather in a crude little church or schoolhouse where children recited their pieces and sang songs about the birth of the Christ Child. Santa would hand out mosquito-bar sacks of candy, a golden orange or an apple to each one, and childhood rapture would make the meager offering truly a gift of gold and frankincense.

HOME-MADE sleds and sleighs skimmed over the snowy countryside with sleigh bells jingling accompaniment to the jangling of

No Editor No Paper

As stated in our last issue, there has been no run of volunteer editors and it must be obvious to all that without an editor there can be no paper. We are very reluctant to take this step, knowing that the district needs a paper if we are to be kept posted on the doings of the neighborhood. There are lots of times when the local sheet is the only means of getting something into the majority of the homes, a large number of which do not take a daily. Moreover, lots of items that we would consider of interest to our local readers, the dailies would not even consider printing as not being of enough general interest to the public at large. If there is anyone at all in the district who thinks they could undertake to take this job on, now is the time to step out and say so, because once we go out of circulation it will be awful hard ever to get going again.

TURKEY SHOOT

The Crossfield Fish and Game Association held a very successful turkey shoot on Wednesday last. In spite of the severe cold weather, a good crowd was on hand, and several were fortunate enough to win their share of the turkeys. The committee in charge wish to thank all those who helped to make it the success it was.

Of Local Interest

Albert Buckler of D... of passed through town on Friday on his way to Calgary where he will enter a hospital and undergo an operation.

Mrs. J. Hergert of Calgary, spent a couple days visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Onkes.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon Farndale (nee Vivian Gough, Carstairs) a daughter, Donna Vivian, on Monday, December 13, at Toronto East General Hospital, a sister for Mary.

Mrs. W. Tims and daughter, Mrs. Jean Carruthers, left on Monday for their home in Montreal.

H. A. Bannister and Keith, showed their films at the meeting of the Calgary Amateur Motion Picture Club held in the auditorium at the Palace Bakery in Calgary on Monday evening.

Mrs. A. Pullan received a first prize ribbon for her knitting entered at Westsaskatoon Red Cross work at the Women's Institute Constituency Conference.

The Crossfield hockey team were hosts to a Calgary team on Saturday at the local rink and managed to hold the score to a tie.

The United Church Christmas Tree was well attended last Friday evening with a capacity crowd. A delightful program, staged by the members of the various young peoples groups, was enjoyed by everyone.

The local post office staff are just about deluged with Christmas mail these days, and are putting in long hours to get it sorted. Mrs. Teddy Bult is assisting during the rush. Several strings of 'colored' lights across the main stem, add a festive air to the village just now.

Sincere Good Wishes for Christmas and the New Year from

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WHILE FORTUNES HAVE BEEN MADE from the growing of wheat on the prairies, and many farmers who have not made fortunes have provided ample comfort and security for their families, the people of the West have always been aware of the uncertainties associated with the success of each year's wheat crop. The amount of rainfall, plant diseases, early frosts, insect pests and the trend of the market are all factors which each season determine the results of the farmers' work, and while much has been done in the way of controlling these hazards, the wheat crop is still not a certain source of income. However, many parts of the prairies are not exceptionally well suited to the growing of wheat that it has been planted in preference to all other crops and Western Canada has long been one of the world's foremost wheat-producing areas.

Many Awards For The West

In spite of this, agricultural experts and economists have frequently pointed out to Western farmers the need to undertake more mixed farming. The desirability of varying the use to which the land is put in order to make the best use of it, and to avoid impoverishing it, and also to ensure financial returns from sources other than wheat, should that crop fail, were among the reasons that diversified farming was advocated. A large number of farmers have followed this course with success. This was demonstrated at the Royal Winter Fair, held at Toronto in November, when Western exhibitors carried off many awards for cattle, dairy products, and grains other than wheat. The Eastern provinces, where mixed farming has been a long-established practice, no longer won all the highest awards in that field.

Are No Longer Vital Matters

Exhibitors from Manitoba won ten first and twenty-seven second prizes in livestock, while Alberta farmers took eight first prizes and twenty-seven second prizes for butter. It was also shown that the Western provinces had expanded greatly in the production of rye, barley and oats. Ontario, for many years the leading producer of rye planted 97,000 acres of that grain this year, while in Saskatchewan 685,000 acres were sown, Alberta had 310,000 acres and Manitoba 69,000 acres, producing a harvest of nearly 20,000,000 bushels. As a result of the spread of mixed farming in the West, neither the success of the wheat crop nor the price of wheat are now considered to be such vital matters as they were in the past. The prairies will without doubt continue to produce a large part of the world's wheat supply, but it is interesting and encouraging to know that the prosperity of the farmers no longer depends on the success or failure of this one crop.

FROZEN FLAX MAY CAUSE DEATH OF CATTLE

SASKATOON.—Frozen flax fed to cattle may bring about their death, authorities of the University of Saskatchewan said recently. They investigated several unusual deaths in cattle and found they died after eating frozen flax. Frost apparently brought potential cyanide in flax to the point where it became dangerous as animal feed.

DUTCH FARMERS TO COME TO CANADA

CALGARY.—About 5,000 Dutch families will come to Canada as immigrants in 1949, J. D. McIlhargey, inspector of immigration at Calgary, announced. He said all the immigrants will be experienced in agriculture and that Alberta farmers may hire as many of them as they wish for a period of one year.

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Canada's Standard Smoke

MANY FINE HEREFORD CATTLE CHANGED HANDS AT RED DEER SALE

Right: Judging the class winners at the Red Deer Hereford Sale, by John Wilson, Innisfail, Alta.

Below: Champion of the Red Deer show, Miss Stanway Lass, March 48 heifer calf, shown by Tatlock Brothers, Bentley, Alberta.

Lower, right: Champion senior Hereford cow with calf at the Red Deer Sale, shown by George Calder, Innisfail.



DESIGNED to give impetus to breeding of fine livestock in Central Alberta, a sale sponsored by the Central Alberta Hereford Breeders' Club at Red Deer recently inaugurated what is intended to be an annual event. Managed by Wilfrid J. Edgar of Innisfail, the sale was a marked success, more than 50 fine animals selling for an average of \$306.00 to buyers from all parts of Alberta.

Twenty-five Hereford breeders of Central Alberta contributed animals to the first sale, many of them top selections of females capable of improving the breeder stock of any Hereford herd. The top animals sold at good prices, a senior yearling heifer from E. C. and R. H. Stuart of Clive drawing the high bid of the day \$750.00 and selling to M. B. Herbert of Delburne. M. B. and R. B. Herbert combined to buy four of the top priced animals, taking one from Wilfrid J. Edgar, Innisfail, and another from Loughed Brothers, Bowden, both senior heifers at \$730.00 and a fourth, also from Edgar at \$630.00. Alex Gardner of Penitence, B.C., bought the third Edgar heifer at \$380.00.

Riel Battle Site Said Disappearing

REGINA.—Remains of trenches used by General Middleton's forces in quelling the northwestern Rebellion of 1885 are said in danger of disappearing.

The trenches were used in the battle of Batoche which ended the rebellion started by Louis Riel, who was convicted of treason and hanged there. Walter Tucker, provincial Liberal leader, said in a recent letter to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board at Ottawa that the farmer whose land contains the trench remains was prevented from plowing them up as a possible crop and this fall only by dry weather.

The trenches are located at one corner of the farm 50 miles down the South Saskatchewan River and northeast of Saskatoon. Mr. Tucker urged that the trench area—about one acre—be purchased.

RECIPES

HOT FUDGE SAUCE
1 cup light corn syrup
2 squares (2 ounces) unsweetened chocolate
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Combine corn syrup and chocolate. Cook over hot water, stirring occasionally, until chocolate is melted. Remove from heat; beat with rotary beater until smooth. Add vanilla extract. Serve hot. Makes 1 cup. May be stored in refrigerator. Reheat over hot water.

UNCOOKED FONDANT
Over hot water melt
2 tablespoons butter
2 cups icing sugar
2 tablespoons evaporated milk
Mix well, add flavoring and knead until smooth. Color as desired and shape into long thin rolls and slice. Stuff dates, prunes, and all sorts of fruits. When used for after dinner mints, add peppermint flavoring to taste; also color, and make each a different flavor.

THE TILLERS

I JUST REMEMBERED. PAW, THIS IS LEAP YEAR. ISN'T IT?

YIP! SO IT IS!

IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR WOMEN SUPPOSEDLY CHASE AFTER. THE MEN AND LEAD THEM TO THE ALTAR.

DO YOU THINK IT'S OKAY FOR WOMEN TO BE THE AGGRESSORS DURING LEAP YEAR?

OF COURSE, MAN.

WHY SHOULD THEY ACT ANY DIFFERENT THEN ANY OTHER YEAR?



Municipalities Against Daylight Saving Time

WINNIPEG.—Little doubt as to the Manitoba rural dweller's sentiments on daylight saving time was left when the Union of Manitoba Municipalities voted on a resolution calling for a stand against the system "insofar as all of rural Manitoba is concerned."

"Why bother voting on it? We know what we think of it!" an elderly delegate exclaimed as the president, Ray Mitchell, of Grandview, put the question to the delegates in the civic auditorium.

He was right. The vote for the motion was unanimous, the only recorded unanimous vote of the entire three-day session.

PRAIRIES LEAD IN AVERAGE PER FARM

OTTAWA.—How big is the average Canadian farm? The size varies across the country, the agriculture department says.

In the Maritimes, they average about 116 acres. In Quebec it is 117, in Ontario 128, on the prairies 456, in British Columbia 153.

NEW METHOD

REGINA.—Aerial photography was used to plot the course of a new power line between Melville and Yorkton, the Saskatchewan resources department reported.

The elephant's mouth of scent is in the roof of his mouth.

DOES INDIGESTION WALLOP YOU BELOW THE BELT?

Help Your Digestion "28" For The Kind Of Relief That Holds You Too Tense To Go On. More than half of your digestion is done below the belt—in your 28 feet of bowels. Be with indigestion strikes, try something that helps digestion in the stomach AND below the belt.

What you may need is Carter's Little Liver Pills to give needed help to that "forgetful 28 feet" of bowels.

Take one Carter's Little Liver Pill before meals, or more, take them according to directions. They will make up a larger size of the small intestine, and your stomach AND bowels—help you digest what you have eaten.

Then most folks get the kind of relief that makes you feel better from your head to your toes. Just be sure you get the genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills from your druggist—35c.

New... for quick baking

...no need to keep it in the ice box!

Keeps in the cupboard for weeks! Always right there when you need it! It's New Fleischmann's Royal Fast Rising Dry Yeast—the modern baking discovery that gives you delicious breads and rolls in quick baking time. No dashing off to the store at the last minute—just keep a supply of New Fleischmann's Royal Fast Rising Dry Yeast handy in the cupboard. Use it as you need it. IF YOU BAKE AT HOME—get Fleischmann's Royal Fast Rising Dry Yeast today. At your grocer's.

—By Les Carroll

WORLD HAPPENINGS

BRIEFLY TOLD

The Royal Australian Navy, down to one-fourth its wartime strength, will add an air arm next year.

A cycle dealer in Spalding, Lincolnshire, England, winner of a charity competition, was presented with a bicycle.

Farm-stock diseases cost Britain \$60,000,000 (\$240,000,000) a year, the Duke of Norfolk told an Animal Health meeting.

The United Nations assembly advanced \$5,000,000 for relief of Arab refugees driven from their homes by Palestine war.

Eighty-five carloads of grain were shipped out of Hudson Bay this fall. Of this, there were 47 carloads of wheat, 24 of barley, 10 of oats, three of flax and one of rape.

A Red Cross appeal for more voluntary blood donors was held in Edmonton recently. Object of the campaign was to increase the number of donors from 4,000 to 10,000.

Canadian consumers are partly responsible for low butter stocks in some sections of Canada. They ate 31,000,000 pounds of butter in October—more than they've ever before consumed in one month.

Britain's three state-owned airlines cost more than \$11,000,000 (\$44,000,000) last year, the corporation's annual reports disclosed. This was \$1,000,000 more than 1946, first year of nationalization.

Get Break On High Cost Of Living

VANCOUVER.—Prince George students are getting a break from high living costs.

A model school dormitory for outside students provides board and room for only \$25 monthly.

British Columbia school trustees in annual convention recently were given details of the dormitory—the only one of its kind in the province.

Last year 38 pupils from all parts of northern British Columbia stayed in the dormitory, and this year there will be 50.

Trustee G. E. Styles of Prince George, said an 18-bed army officers' mess building had been converted into the dormitory. Original cost of the building was \$35,000.

Moving and remodeling cost of \$17,000.

Actual cost of housing a student is \$33 a month, but the school board pays \$4 a pupil and an additional \$4 is paid by the department of education.

REHABILITATION SITUATION OF VETERANS GOOD

EDMONTON.—General situation of Canada war veterans and their rehabilitation to civilian life is good—progress has been better than favorable with re-establishment of the aid practically completed, Hon. M. F. Gregg, V.C., Federal Minister of Veterans Affairs, said in Edmonton.

Mr. Gregg was in the city on his first official Dominion inspection tour of D.V.A. establishments since taking his present position.

The cecilia, with its 17-year life span, is the longest-lived insect.

Many Homes For Princess' Royal Son

LONDON.—Princess Elizabeth's son can call two palaces, three castles and three mansions his "home". He will spend some time in each every year. The two palaces—Buckingham Palace in London and Holyrood in Edinburgh—are the national state residences of his grandfather, the King.

Windsor Castle is another national state residence, while Balmoral Castle on Deeside, Scotland, is the King's private property.

The third castle, Glamis, is the highland seat of the family of his grandmother, the Queen.

One mansion—Sandringham in Norfolk—like Balmoral, is the King's private home.

The other two mansions are the homes of the child's parents. The first is Clarence House, St. James', their official London residence, which will be ready complete with a nursery floor, at the beginning of the year. The other is Windlesham Moor, their leased week-end home, with a 50-acre estate in Surrey, 25 miles from London.

All but the latter home, whose main attraction is a nine-hole golf course, have a story.

From childhood, the young prince will hear legends surrounding Holyrood House where Mary, Queen of Scots, lived for the greater part of her reign.

He will play hide-and-seek with the "ghosts" in Glamis Castle, like his grandmother and mother before him.

His birthplace, Buckingham Palace, has been the focal point of the United Kingdom in times of rejoicing for more than a century. Described as the ugliest palace in Europe, it has never been very popular with the Royal family.

Second home to which the new Prince will be introduced is the 11,000-acre Sandringham estate where Princess Elizabeth will take him to spend a traditional Christmas with the rest of the Royal family.

His first Easter will probably be spent at Windsor Castle where the court also goes in residence for the Ascot races in the summer. There, he will play in the famous corridor used by Royal princes and princesses for a hundred years.

Sometime during next summer and fall he will visit his three homes in Scotland.

West's Prosperity Barometer Of Canada's Economic Position

WINNIPEG.—Increased revenue channelled through income tax collection offices in Western Canada indicate that prosperous conditions exist and that Western farmers and producers were receiving high prices, Revenue Minister, Hon. J. J. McCann said.

Revenue collections in the west all ways were a good barometer of Canada's economic position, he said. To-day the barometer pointed to prosperity.

Dr. McCann, accompanied by two of his deputies, David Sim and B. W. Scully, is on an inspection of the Revenue Department's western offices.

New Viscount Alexander Award Winner



George Lynch, Sports College member who has just been awarded the Viscount Alexander Trophy for being the outstanding junior athlete in Canada for 1948. The above picture shows Lynch well out in the lead in the mile event at the Canadian Legion indoor track carnival at Montreal last March. Lynch made a new Canadian Junior indoor record in this race.

George Lynch, 17-year-old track wizard who has just been awarded the Viscount Alexander Trophy as the outstanding junior athlete in Canada for 1948, is a "coach's dream" says his coach, Lloyd "Ace" Percival. According to Percival, Lynch's unfailing determination and willingness to follow training and coaching instruction to the exact letter is the reason why he has completely dominated his field since 1946 when he first began to run. His amazing record includes the winning of 39 city, provincial, national and international championships and the breaking of 18 records. His peak performance was his winning of the United States National Boys' Mile Championship at Cleveland in August of 1947. (In this race) the Sports College Champion not only defeated the best in the United States, but took eleven seconds off the record. His record still stands, and his performances at the United States Indoor National Interscholastic Championships at MacKenzie Square Gardens, when he won his section of the mile event against the best runners in the U.S. However, he capped all his outstanding performances last May at Varsity Stadium during the Toronto and District Interscholastic Track and Field Meet when he won the three mile race in the amazing time of 15:34, which took 34 seconds off the old record of 16:08, which he had set in 1947. This is the fastest time ever recorded in the world by an interscholastic runner.

Canada Has Less Mills; More Flour

OTTAWA.—Canada has fewer flour mills than last year, but the capacity of the mills has increased.

The bureau of statistics reported that there are 174 wheat flour mills in Canada, seven less than last year. Total daily capacity of the mills is 107,034 barrels in 24 hours, 5,500 barrels greater than last year. This is the result of expansion in some of the plants.

Ontario mills total 78 against 83 in 1947. Mills in other provinces, with 1947 figures bracketed: Alberta, 31 (25); Saskatchewan, 29 (30); Manitoba, 25 (23); British Columbia, 5 (6).

IT'S A MAN'S WORLD;

EVEN A BABY KNOWS THAT

PORT ALBERT, B.C.—It's a man's world, girls—even a baby knows that.

Joyce McCann, past president of the Vancouver Island Teen Town Association and head of the Chemsaint Teen Town Baby Sitting Club, says parents prefer teenage boys as sitters because they do not "panic" when baby starts to howl.

Out of her crew of 34 sitters, 12 are boys.

Weekly Tip

WATER RINGS ON YOUR COFFEE TABLE

Wipe the surface thoroughly, dry and rub in vaseline or petroleum jelly. Camphorated oil will also do the trick.

LITTLE REGGIE



PRISCILLA'S POP—Perils Of Fatherhood



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Ninety Boys And Girls Win Rewards For Junior Club Work

A VISIT to Niagara Falls, premium seats at the Royal Winter Fair's Horse Show, a tour of the Houses of Parliament, banquet and provincial magicians, trips through farm machinery and meat packing plants—these were the rewards for application to junior club work won by 53 boys and 37 girls in mid-November.

These events climaxed for the rural young people the result of their years in rural clubs. There, under the guidance of agricultural representatives, department fieldmen and local farmer leaders, the teen-agers had become so proficient in at least one phase of agriculture that they were selected to compete for national honours.

Successful in local, regional and provincial elimination contests, the 45 two-member provincial championship teams competed at Toronto in the annual national contests for boys' and girls' farm clubs. For these, as for the sight-seeing and educational tours of Toronto, Hamilton, Niagara Falls and Ottawa, they were guests of the Canadian Council on Boys' and Girls' Club Work, a non-profit organization sponsored by Dominion and provincial governments, national railway systems, business firms and farm organizations.

Each team competed in one of eight projects: dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, poultry, seed grain, seed potatoes, foods and clothing. The contests were strenuous, whether they required the contestant to bake a batch of tea biscuits or to give proper placings to bacon carcasses. But during them and the entertainment which followed, the junior farmers kept their poise even though flash bulbs made them pop their eyes, microphones were thrust in front of them and reporters quizzed them on their hobbies and the size of the home farm.

Leading teams of these representatives of the 45,500 rural youth enrolled in club work under the Council's auspices were:

Dairy Cattle
1. Quebec—Owen and Robert Neas, Howick;
2. British Columbia—Philip Bryant, Mission, and Dave Adair, Sardis;
3. Ontario—Ralph Dunton, Brampton, and Clark Lyons, Norval.
Highest individual score: Owen Neas.

Beef Cattle
1. Ontario—Allan Houghton and Allan McCracken, Beaton;
2. Quebec—Helen St. Yves and Gilberte Dupont, St. Barthelemy;
3. Nova Scotia—Jean and Ruth Jeffrey, Kemptville;
4. Alberta—Audrey Baker and Audrey Carlson, Delburne.
Highest individual score: Helen St. Yves.

Swine
1. Ontario—Donald Jenkins and Raymond Taylor, Belmont;
2. Saskatchewan—Robert Angus and David Ford, Sylvan;
3. Manitoba—Roy and Harold Hockin, Neepawa.
Highest individual score: Donald Jenkins.

Poultry
1. Quebec—Liliane Boulanger and Rolande Couture, Thetford Mines;
2. Manitoba—Marie-Jeanne and Gladys DeAth, Montclair;
3. New Brunswick—Hermel Ouellet and Philippe Plourde, Collin.
Highest individual score: Rolande Couture.

Seed Grain
1. Manitoba—Donald McConnell, McConnell, and Norval Brooks, Hamiota;
2. Ontario—Carl Boynton, Woodbridge, and Clara Eves, Queensville;
3. Alberta—James Miller and Melvin Heinzelmer, Rockyford.
Highest individual score: James Miller.

Seed Potatoes
1. British Columbia—George Wright, Steveston, and Norman Hitt, R.R. No. 2, Vancouver;
2. Ontario—Margaret Wilson, Fort-Hill, and Marie Liebau, Fenwick;
3. Quebec—Charles Paquet and Jean Dure, Pont-Rouge.
Highest individual score: Norman Hitt.

Food
1. Manitoba—Jeanne Wold and Marjorie Bruder, Lac du Bonnet;
2. Alberta—Joyce Beaton and Marilyn Beaton, Whittier;
3. Ontario—Christine Dobson, Kirkton, and Pauline Pilon, St. Marys.
Highest individual score: Marilyn Beaton.

Clothing
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2. Ontario—Margaret Wilson, Fort-Hill, and Marie Liebau, Fenwick;
3. Quebec—Charles Paquet and Jean Dure, Pont-Rouge.
Highest individual score: Norman Hitt.

Food
1. Manitoba—Jeanne Wold and Marjorie Bruder, Lac du Bonnet;
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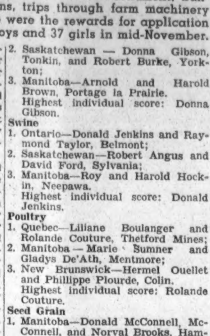
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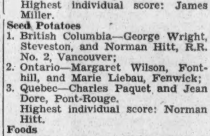
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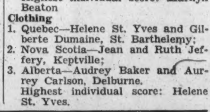
By WILLIAM FERGUSON



THE DEADLY INCENDIARY COMPOUND USED BY AMERICAN BOMBERS TO DESTROY TOKYO WAS DEVELOPED BY A CHEMIST FOR DESTROYING CRACKS IN HIS LAWN.



YOU PUT YOUR CAR IN THE GARAGE BUT PUT YOUR LIGHTS OUT? Says C. E. WESTLAKE, Detroit's Fighting Cops.



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SPORT

That First Goal's A Big One

Scoring the first goal in a hockey game is a mighty important achievement. Records reveal that in the first 34 games played in the National Hockey League this season, the team that notched the first counter usually finished the tussle on the right end of the score.

Detroit Red Wings and Boston Bruins, the two top teams in the National circuit, are lucid examples of the importance in pumping home the first tally. Boston has won all five games in which they scored the first goal for a perfect 100 per cent. Detroit scored the first goal seven times, winning six of these and drawing the other, for an 85.7 per centage.

Montreal Canadiens and New York Rangers have won 50 per cent of the games in which they scored the first goal. In eight contests the Habits won four, lost two and tied two. Rangers were the first club to flash the red light in four games, winning a pair of these and dropping the other two.

Toronto Maple Leafs and Chicago Black Hawks have each won 33.3 per cent of the games in which their squad tallied the initial marker. Leafs won two, lost two and tied two in the six games they scored the first goal. In the three times that Chicago dented the cordage first, they won one and lost two.

Boston's record in which they scored the first goal is unimpeachable. However, in the five games that the opposing club scored first, the Bruins only won twice, while losing two and drawing once. This means the Beantowners won 40 per cent of the games in which the opposition flashed the light first.

Detroit, who boasted an 85.7 per centage when they tallied the initial goal of the contest, only won 25 per cent of their games when the opposing team scored first. Out of four such games the Red Wings won once and lost three times.

Montreal and Chicago have each won 33.3 per cent of the games when the opposing team scored first, the inaugural contest. In three games Canadiens won once while losing twice. Chicago won three and lost six of the nine games in which their adversaries broke into the scoring column before them.

In the five games that their opponents scored before they did, Toronto Maple Leafs were only able to win once, while dropping four for a winning mark of 20 per cent. New York Rangers were defeated three times and drew four times in the seven games that the "other team" scored first.

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AIR FORCE ABANDONS RAIN-MAKING ART

WASHINGTON.—The United States air force has decided to leave the ancient art of rain-making to the Indians.

After nine months of sprinkling dry ice on clouds to cause rain, the air force said it isn't worth the effort.

"The experiments," an official told a reporter, "proved the seeding of clouds has not caused rain in amounts sufficient to be of economic significance."



DEAN OF PHOTOGRAPHERS RECORDED EVENTS—Dean of Canadian press photographers whose roving and accurate camera recorded notable events for more than 40 years, William James of Toronto died recently in his 83rd year. Mr. James came from England to Canada in 1906. Above is a picture taken from his album which contains pictures of events dating back to the year 1904. This is a photograph of a well known grocery store that was established in 1910. Note the prices of various meats. It is a far cry from the prices of foods that prevail in the year 1948.—S.N.S. photo.

Successful Rat Control Depends Upon Action Of All

THE RAT BOASTS—

Every year we destroy as much as 200,000 farmers can produce. By gnawing insulation off electrical wires, a cousin of mine in Buffalo, New York, caused a \$25,000 fire.

Our population in cities is approximately equal to one-half the human population in such areas. Each of us causes an average of \$2.00 worth of damage every year, but some of us do better. For instance, Uncle Joe has been known to kill 1,500 baby chicks in one night. Aunt Sally carried off 80 dozen eggs in a single week and my brother's family ruined 40 cases of shoes within a few days' time. Your loss from rats is estimated at nearly \$200,000,000 annually.

Me and me may have ten liters of young per year, with an average of ten per litter. It is mathematically possible for us to have 250,000,000 descendants at the end of three years.

We have no housing shortage here, you provide us with plenty of food and shelter.

KILL THEM—

Set several traps in sheltered locations, using different kinds of bait as fish, meat or vegetables. Set traps where rats usually pass. Rat trails follow the walls. Do not use poisons that might be harmful to humans. Poisons are available which are harmless to man or domestic animals. Do not use poison gas. Professional exterminators are the only ones qualified to use it safely.

Do not handle a dead rat. It may be diseased; use a stick, shovel and paper bag to remove carcass.

Do not corner a live rat. They are cunning and ferocious and may attack you.

Consult licensed exterminators or your health department in difficult situations.

STARVE THEM—

Store garbage in tightly covered water-tight metal containers. Do not use cardboard, paper or wooden containers. Keep floors, walls and stairways free of bits of food. Do not scatter food for birds on the ground. Use feeding platforms four feet above the ground.

Store foods in tightly covered metal or glass containers. Keep laundry soaps, powders, matches, etc., where rats can't reach. Check yards for bones, food, etc., left by dogs and cats.

Keep alleys, backyards and streets free from garbage.

BUILD 'EM OUT—

Find holes rats use to enter house or building and screen or fill in with concrete.

Store spare lumber 18 inches above the ground.

Check doors and cellar windows for tight fit and keep closed. Repair broken windows, torn screens and unglazed doors.

Concrete basement floors and keep in good repair. Rat burrows can be filled with cinders or gravel.

Shed chicken coops and garages should have two foot foundations and three inch thick concrete floors.

Ash and garbage sheds should be raised at least 12 inches off the ground and kept clean.

Helpful Hints

Poor light for reading and close work not only causes eyestrain, but tires the whole body. Be sure that your reading lamps give enough light, but don't cause a glare.

Light lines of flat paint allow the greatest radiation of heat from radiators. Dark and metallic coatings keep the heat in and also prevent getting the most for the money spent for fuel.

If you own a hair-bristle hairbrush, give the bristles new life by adding two teaspoons of powdered alum to each cup of rinsing water, and, by the way, there is nothing like a real bristle brush to really "clean" the hair—but they are expensive!

When you wash painted walls, you often find some stubborn spots that won't come off. Try using a mixture of soap jelly and whitening, say specialists. To make this, use half a cup of soap flakes, chips or granules to a quart of hot water. Let mixture cool, then beat with an egg beater until it looks like a velvety icing. Last, add six tablespoons of whitening and mix well.

Scotland's Birthrate Down This Year

EDINBURGH.—Scotland's birthrate for 1947—at 113,000—was the highest in 20 years, J. G. Kyd, Registrar-General for Scotland, said.

But this year there has been a decrease over the corresponding period of last year. He blamed this on the housing problem and the "many restrictions and frustrations surrounding family life."

Kyd said there is plenty of room in Scotland for many more than its present population of 5,600,000. He said three-quarters of the population now is concentrated in one-fifth of the total area.

Anti-Rooster Bymlaw Follows A.C. Calls

MERRITTON, Ont.—When crowing roosters bothered Mrs. Ruby Lawrence she complained to the town council by telephoning members—at 4 a.m. When the mayor and several councillors heard the cause of her complaint, a special by-law was held to stop the disturbance. A motion that an anti-noise bylaw be speedily drafted was passed.



CAMERA MAY CATCH BANK ROBBERY—Bank teller Doreen Brown of Vancouver, B.C., was robbed of a sum between \$200 and \$300 by masked man who threatened her with concealed gun. Police believe they can identify bank bandit by a candid camera photo taken by sidewalk photographer who was operating at time of hold-up.—S.N.S. photo.

Wolf Joins Dogs For Company

FLIN FLON, Man.—A timber wolf—one foot in the claws of a hunter's trap—sought the solace of companionship with his domesticated kin in the northern reaches of Manitoba recently. But the animal met death from the muzzle of a rifle after sharing food with dogs for a few days.

Air Olson, power company employee at Whitesand on Reindeer Lake, 150 miles north of Flin Flon went out to feed his dogs one morning and found the wolf in one of the kennels.

The wolf was content to put up with the dogs—and their food—but his viciousness returned when Olson appeared and he had to be shot.

WALKED MANY MILES

TYN-Y-CRAIG, Wales.—Miss Margaret Jenkins has retired after 46 years' service as an auxiliary postwoman, in this Cardiganshire district. The calculation she has walked 170,400 miles in daily duties over rough and mountainous paths to reach remote farms and villages.

HEALTH

Canada's Food Rules

The study of nutritional requirements is a highly technical one which medical and scientific experts have been carrying on for years. In spite of many discoveries about the foods to eat for health much remains to be learned. The layman interested in eating the right foods would find difficulty in appraising the reports of these professional men and women. Such interpretation is, however, quite unnecessary. The Canadian Council on Nutrition in 1944 approved Canada's Food Rules as a guide to the variety and amounts of foods needed to meet all dietary requirements. Eat these foods every day and drink plenty of water.

Here are Canada's Food Rules—listing the foods for health.

Milk—adults, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 pint; children, $\frac{1}{4}$ pints to 1 quart.

Fruit—one serving of citrus fruit or tomatoes or their juices and one serving of other fruit.

Vegetables—at least one serving of potatoes; at least two servings of other vegetables, preferably leafy, green or yellow, frequently raw.

Cereals and Bread—one serving of a whole-grain cereal and at least four slices of Canada Approved Vitamin B bread with butter.

Meat and Fish—one serving of meat, fish, poultry or meat alternates such as beans, peas, nuts, eggs or cheese. Also use eggs and cheese three times a week each, and liver frequently. A fish liver oil, as a source of vitamin D, should be given to children and expectant mothers. Iodized salt is recommended.

ADVERTISING PAYS

GAVE BRIDE LOVELY WEDDING

SAINT FRANCISCO—A modern maiden's prayer for a full church at her wedding brought results because she advertised.

The little personal newspaper advertisement read "Please won't you come to a lovely wedding." More than 200 persons, nearly all of them perfect strangers, responded.

When the nuptial mass was completed the bride cried with joy.

The incident resulted from fear by 28-year-old Miss Lucile Cofalu of Oakland that the church would be empty because most of her relatives and friends live in the east. The bridegroom was Carl Martineau, 32.

Bibles Disappeared In Recent Alberta Election

EDMONTON.—Alberta has thousands of thieves but the police just don't care.

At election time the clerk of the legislative assembly—R. A. Anderson—puts a Bible or New Testament in each of the 4,500 ballot boxes. The toll of Bibles is terrific, he says.

After the Bibles have been used to swear in voters, they should be returned to the government with the ballot box. This year some 500 have disappeared but there a few guilty consciences among the thieves.

One voter returned a Gideon Bible to replace the one purloined from the ballot box. In the previous provincial elections, a Ukrainian Bible turned up and was promptly claimed by the British and Foreign Bible Society, which has trouble getting foreign-language publications.

The deepest cave so far explored is the Dent de Croix near Grenoble, France.



CROWNED QUEEN—Irene Laville, Winnipeg, Man., garment worker was crowned "needle trades queen" when she defeated 18 other contestants. A dance and stage show sponsored by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America followed the ceremony which was held in Winnipeg auditorium.—S.N.S. photo.

JACK MINER'S BIRD BANDING CARRIED ON BY SONS

With the late Jack Miner being the pioneer bird bander on the continent to have the first complete record of where a bird banded was killed, one and all rejoice that Jack Miner's sons are carrying on this mass banding.

Truly Jack Miner's bird banding of ducks and geese has proven the value of the sanctuary or refuge idea in conserving waterfowl, because the bird banding has proven that the birds go from one sanctuary to the other because practically every sanctuary east of the Mississippi has seen several Canada geese wearing a Jack Miner band.

On the Miner Sanctuary Jack Miner's sons have re-caught geese which have banded on dating as far back as twenty-four years. It is not uncommon to recatch birds that have been banded twenty years previous and every catch has birds which have been banded two, four, six, eight, or ten years previous.

The late Judge James Edmund Jones, K.C., B.A., M.A., after visiting the Jack Miner Sanctuary always referred to it as "The University of Original Research" because Jack Miner did more than hold meetings and passing resolutions, he put his theory into action and today his trees he planted as natural habitat and the birds he banded all act as a living memorial to his memory. He was a strong believer in Natural Habitat and Control of Predators. In some localities one often needed stressing more than the other.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

True gentleness is founded on a sense of what we owe to Him who made us, and to the common nature which we all share.—Blair.

We are indebted to Christianity for gentleness, especially toward women.—Charles Sumner.

I held it more humane, more heavenly—first—By winning words to conquer willing hearts.

And make persuasion do the work of fear.—Milton.

Nothing is so strong as gentleness; nothing so gentle as real strength.—Francis de Sales.

Be gentle and of a good countenance even in bitter quarrels, win through experience and never let it harm that inward treasure.—Romain Rolland.

When angels visit us, we do not hear the rustle of wings, nor feel the feathery touch of the breast of a dove; but we know their presence by the love they create in our hearts.—Mary Baker Eddy.

CANADIANS FUSSEY WHAT KIND OF MONEY THEY CARRY

OTTAWA.—Canadians are fussy about the type of coinage they jingle in their pockets and the denomination of crinkly bills they stuff into their wallets.

Practically everyone dislikes carrying around a large number of copper coins. But the dillies do not stop there. In the prairies, for instance, the people have a pet aversion to the \$2 bill. In Montreal, Ottawa and some other eastern cities the 50-cent piece is eyed with disfavour.

On the other hand, Vancouver and Toronto residents like the eastern piece and frequently call on eastern banks for supplies.

Smile of the Week—

IT'S YOUR FATHER

Two little girls walking home from Sunday-school were discussing the Bible story they had heard.

"Do you believe there is a devil?" one asked the other nervously. "Oh, no!" answered the other with conviction. "Like Santa Claus—it's your father."



LETTLE GIRL, TWO, WAITS IN RAIN WHILE PARENTS UNLOAD LUGGAGE—Youthful traveller, Sandra Yablonsky, two, huddles under an umbrella at New York where she and her parents arrived on the liner America to find docks strike-bound. Her parents and other passengers had to handle own luggage. She was on her way to Winnipeg.—S.N.S. photo.

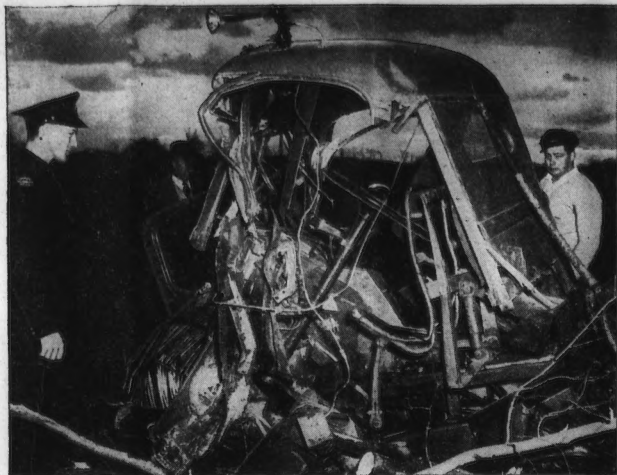
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DRIVER KILLED IN CRASH—Instantly killed in the cab of this wrecked tractor-trailer truck 14 miles west of Fort Erie, Ont., on No. 3 highway was Jim Barrett, 28, of London, Ont., the driver. The truck left the highway, moved down big branch of the tree seen in foreground. Cons. Louis Katona, O.P.P., stood guard over the truck and contents until tow truck arrived on scene.—S.N.S. photo.



MENNONITES RETURN TO MANITOBA—Back in Manitoba and appreciating wholesome food after their tragic stay in Paraguay, Helen Heppner serves cake to her brother and sister, Henry and Hilda, and a friend. The first of hundreds of Mennonite families who emigrated to Paraguay last June are returning with tales of death, disillusion, corruption and heartbreak experienced in South America.—S.N.S. photo.



DE GAULLE MEETS THE MAYORS—Popular French general, Charles De Gaulle, (right), recently received the mayors of many French towns at the town hall at Neuilly, near Paris, and their approval of De Gaulle is quite evident in the above photo. The mayors are shown as they applauded a remark made by De Gaulle.—S.N.S. photo.



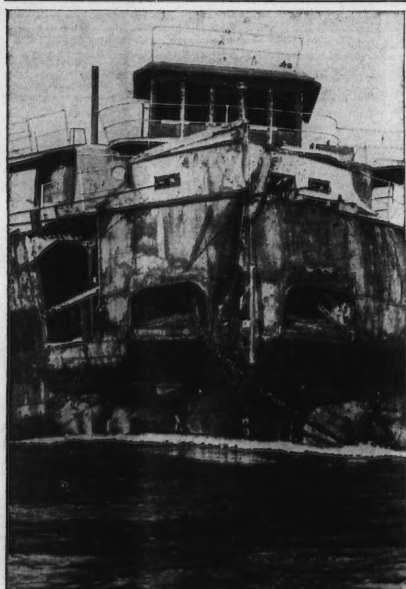
PRESIDENT TRUMAN GREETES MARSHALL—President Truman motored to Washington National Airport to meet Secretary of State George C. Marshall on his return from Paris for a series of important conferences on the European problems. Here President Truman and Secretary of State George Marshall are shown as they met at the airport.—S.N.S. photo.



SHOOT RECORD 650-POUND BEAR—Believed to be one of the largest bears ever captured in central Ontario, this 650-pound Cinnamon was shot by Herbert Woods of Gravenhurst, Ont., about 10 miles from his home. Woods was out hunting deer when he saw the giant Cinnamon coming across a ravine. He was only a few yards away when the bear appeared on the ridge. When hit by a .28 slug the animal reared up on his hind legs, towering nine feet in the air. While the bear was looking around for his assailant, Woods drilled in another shot from close range. Bellowing in anger, the bruin headed for the hunter who put a third shot into its heart, dropping it at his feet. Woods is shown with the skin of the bear.—S.N.S. photo.



MONTY TRIES OUT NEW MOTORCYCLE—Astride a motorcycle, Field Marshal Viscount Bernard Montgomery, chief of the western military alliance, opens the bicycle and motorcycle show at Earls Court, London. In order to take his present post, Montgomery retired as chief of the British Imperial staff.—S.N.S. photo.



AT BOTTOM OF ST. LAWRENCE 14 MONTHS, MAY SAIL IN SPRING—Fourteen months after her collision with the Translake in the St. Lawrence three miles from Morrisburg, Ont., the freighter Milverton is being refloated. This head-on view shows the big hole in her bow now raised above the 40-foot water in which she sank. The tragic collision took the lives of twelve men and twelve others had a narrow escape. Owners expect to refit the freighter and have her back in commission by next spring. It is expected to take a week to float the vessel up the river for inspection.—S.N.S. photo.



KILLED IN HUNTING MISHAP—Fatally injured when a gun accidentally discharged on a hunting trip, Delmar Cybolsky, 23, of Iroquois Falls, Ont., is shown here. Funeral services for the father of two young children were held under auspices of Canadian Legion.—S.N.S. photo.



WOMAN DIPLOMAT—Britain's first regular woman diplomat is Joan Caroline Petrie, who has been appointed second secretary on the staff of the British ambassador at The Hague. Miss Petrie is one of five women now in the diplomatic service. When she leaves England to take up her duties she will take a new car, plenty of "pretty evening frocks."—Reuterphoto from S.N.S.



BEATS NEW PRINCE BY FOUR MINUTES—Newborn Janet Elizabeth Philp, who really had very little to do with it, finds herself in the English spotlight for a brief moment of glory because she chose to come into the world just four minutes ahead of the new heir to the British throne. Here she poses with her proud mama in an English nursing home in London, while the attending physician shows her a newspaper headline heralding the birth of the royal infant.—S.N.S. photo.



BERLIN—WERE THE DEAD AID THE LIVING—This small neglected cemetery of St. Thomas in Berlin, serves the living as well as the dead. It borders the major axis of the Tempelhof airfield, most vital spot in the airlift operation. Fog lights and landing lights set in tiers on these huge poles keep the operation going in fog and at night. The reflected light, falling on the tombstones at night, give an eerie effect to the scene. However no graves were decorated during the infiltration despite Russian charges to that effect. Funerals, too, are being conducted as usual.—S.N.S. photo.

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

THE COMMON ENEMY

"Two Opposing Factions Will Unite To Oppose A Common Enemy."

By JOHN ROWLEY

"THAT," said Martha Fordham with all the indignation she could muster, "is the last straw! No husband of mine is going to order me around... tell me what I can and can't buy... My own money too!"

Anger made her blue eyes snap and sparkle and the unruly lock of blonde hair which persisted in hanging down in front of her eyes whenever she found her temper boiling over was tossed back with a quick lift of her head.

The object of her anger stood at the small desk in the hallway of the small bungalow, a bill in his hand and grim determination on his face. This time she wouldn't get away with it. He had to put his foot down sometime... and this was it!

"Twenty dollars," he roared, jutting out his chin, "is too much for any hat! If it was made of silver and garnished with gold it would still be too much. It ruins our budget... it..." He grooped for a word. "It's outrageous!"

"Outrageous, is it!" Martha snapped. "It's my money and I'll spend it as I like and that's all I have to say to you this morning. I'm leaving for work. I've heard all I want to hear about that hat."

She jammed on the hat and flew out of the door, not forgetting to slam it behind her.

A purple-faced Dick Fordham was left with the bill for the hat clenched in his fist, his anger simmering at a white heat.

"And quite right, too," said a voice from the stairway. "If I was Martha I'd go home to mother!"

The owner of the voice, dressed in sober black with neat white lace collar and cuffs, finished her descent of the stairs and disappeared into the parlour. She was small, slight, with snow-white hair, spectacles which had a tendency to slip off the bridge of her nose, and she carried a paper-covered booklet under one arm.

Her non-in-law gradually recovered as she realized the incongruity of her amazement and wonder.

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her suggestion. "That's one thing she can't do," he thought grimly. "She can't go home to mother as long as mother lives here."

Finding no outlet for his anger he, too, left for work.

He wore a worried frown that day. Two upsets coming at once were just too much. The trouble he was having with Martha was just routine... but he couldn't understand what had come over her mother. She was usually on his side. Always before she had been the perfect mother-in-law.

Up until the last few days, that was. "In fact," he thought, "up until she received that correspondence school booklet she's always carrying around. I wonder if that could have anything to do with it."

Both he and Martha had tried to discourage the old lady when she had got the idea of taking a correspondence course in what the advertisement called a "Comprehensive Survey of Caesar's Ceqquests." But it had been to no avail.

"It's time I was getting an education," the old lady had insisted and had refused to consider any substitute.

"Caesar's Conquests," Dick snorted. "She must be reaching her second century."

By closing time he had given up thinking about it in disgust.

Martha was already home when he got there and he could tell by her eyes that all was not forgotten.

"Well, Mr. Dick Fordham," she said, "I hope you've thought things over and are willing to admit that I've a perfect right to spend money I earn any way I see fit."

"But, Martha!" Dick expostulated. "Don't you see. We're pooling our resources. Otherwise we would have had to wait to get married. We're trying to keep a budget and, after all, you got a new hat not so long ago. There were other things we really needed."

Mrs. Adams had been sitting by the window in the parlour, her nose in her book. "Martha is right as always," she broke in. "And if I was her I'd leave you until you realize that she has some rights."

Both Dick and Martha stopped their bickering and looked at her in amazement. This was so unlike the gentle old lady.

"Martha should spend all her money on herself," she continued calmly. "Go to a nightclub, my dear. That's the quickest way I know. That nice Herb Johnson who used to take you out would be glad to go with you. That would teach that husband of yours a lesson."

"Mother!" Martha's scandalized tones spoke her amazement. "What are you suggesting? I wouldn't think of such a thing!"

"You've a perfect right to spend your money," Mrs. Adams insisted. "Don't let him tell you what to do. Assert yourself!"

Dick, nonplussed for once, kept silent.

"I'm only trying to help," Mrs. Adams said self-righteously. "I don't want my daughter tied to a stingy old..."

"Mother!" Martha snapped. "Don't talk that way about Dick. He's not stingy."

Unconsciously the two young people had drawn closer together to oppose this unexpected onslaught on their happiness.

"I'm sorry," Martha said to her husband, "about the whole thing. You were right." Dick put a protective arm around her while she turned worried eyes on her mother.

"I don't understand what's come over you, Mother," she said. "It almost looks as though you wanted to break up my marriage. I don't see how you can say the things you've said."

With the two of them together the fierce protective expression left Mrs. Adams' face and was replaced by the humorous twinkle they all knew so well.

"The results haven't been so bad," she pointed out.

Martha sat up suddenly, her tears forgotten, and stared at her mother, a look of comprehension slowly diffusing her features. She looked from her mother to Dick and back.

"You did it on purpose," she gasped. "You knew we would make up. How... why...?"

Mrs. Adams looked gently and smiled her satisfaction. "Of course," she admitted calmly. "The results of my first lesson. If it worked for Caesar it would work for me! I'm well satisfied with the course, something useful almost on the first page... I'll read it to you."

She read aloud, a frown on her forehead as she formed the words. "In the face of danger it has often been found that two opposing factions will unite to oppose a common enemy."

"Caesar believed that implicitly," she intoned, "and says so here. He conquered the Gauls, you know." (Copyright Wheeler Newspaper Syndicate)

Western Canada's Biggest Turkey Flock Being Fattened For Christmas Season

By A. H. CLARKE
Written Specially for Central Press Canadian

DRUMHELLER, Alta.—Mrs. Ben Brown, of Acme, Alberta, is not a bit worried about the "Turkey for Christmas dinner question," for nearly 4,000 of them are at present undergoing fattening in her poultry pens for the year-end market. The birds, corralled in high wire and board fences in four pens, got their start from a normal-sized barnyard flock over 12 years ago.

Each year the flock has increased until this season Mr. and Mrs. Brown hope that their spring breeding stock will include at least a thousand top ranking hens. Gobblers for the flock, in the past few years, have been imported at the rate of 75 from some of the largest turkey farms on the North American continent.

At the moment the best gobblers in the flock are close to 23 pounds in weight and should put on several more pounds within the next few weeks. Attending the birds is a man-servant job in the hands of John Chernows, former Navy man. Rodney Chernows, two years old, although only an inch taller than the birds, follows his dad through the flock nonchalantly, but with keen interest.

Credit for the flock, which is one of the biggest in Western Canada, is given to Mrs. Brown by her husband, who for a number of years has run one of the province's best hog ranches.

So far as the proprietors know they have not lost one turkey to coyotes, but have had most of their difficulty through hail storms, long ranges of over five acres each are employed to raise the turkeys. Rotating from one pasture to another cuts down the chance of disease taking toll and provides fresh green feed for the flock.

The fluttering of a feather, or the dropping of a sparrow from the sky are sufficient distractions to stampede the whole flock of 4,000. In daily light hours the birds will quiet down in a few minutes, but at night time once they are off the roosts nervousness holds the birds on the move for a long period.

Water is a 325 gallon a day item to the birds during the present fattening period, with feed going into an ever increasing amount. Present pens provide a roof capable of seating capacity for all birds and at the far side of the corrals a shelter, which is protection against the hot sun, wind and storm. On the range a wide belt of trees are protection against the elements and enemies to the flock.

In conformity with rules laid down by the Provincial Agricultural department, hens used for breeding must be banded, inspected and blood tested. The eggs are shipped to the large hatcheries for incubation. The average hen will lay approximately 30 eggs within the season.

Seventeen brooders, each with a capacity of 250 birds, are required at the Brown farm, each spring to get the young turkeys started. Care in handling, generous range space and good fences keep the number of cripples in the large flock down to a minimum.

The 1,450-pound prize winner was entered by S. G. Bennett of Georgetown, Ont.

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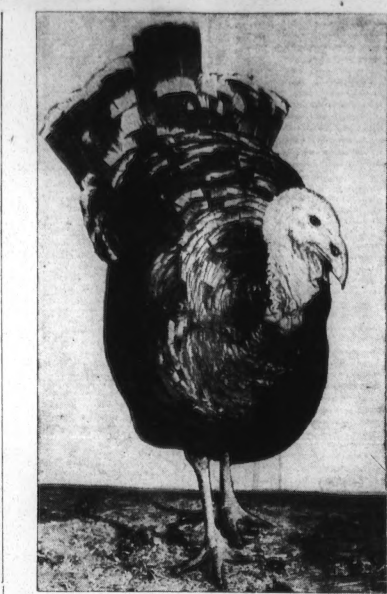
PEGGY, HONEY, IT'D BE WORTH A DOLLAR TO ME IF YOU'D SHOVELE THE RUBBER INTO THE GARAGE

I'LL BET POP'LL BE SURPRISED WHEN I GROW UP TO BE AN AMAZON! BUT A BUCK'S A BUCK!

ALL FINISHED, POP! THAT'S A HARD JOB AND I APPRECIATE IT

THANKS, PEGGY--

HOWCOME YOU'RE GOING OUT WITHOUT TOO FAT? I'M WONDERING HOW THE GYM AND WORK SOUNDS OFF!



Turkeys like this one on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brown, Drumheller, Alta., will be ready in a few weeks for eating during the Yuletide season.

Hens and gobblers to be used for spring breeding are kept in the open throughout the winter. This fall a 12-foot wooden fence on the windward side has been erected to give the turkeys extra protection for those periods when the temperature registers below zero.

Gobblers are marketed at live weight. Fifty cents per pound, it is expected, will be this year's price.

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DECIMATION OF GAME

Eskimos Move Farther North

THE PAS, Man.—The decimation of game animals in certain parts of Canada is expected to result in the migration of Eskimos from the mainland and lower Arctic islands into uninhabited islands of the upper Arctic or Polar regions.

A. W. F. Banfield, chief mammalogist of the Dominion Wildlife Service at Ottawa, said Eskimos in the eastern Arctic, particularly in the Ungava region, had been hard pressed by the loss of caribou herds on which they lived before white traders arrived.

Mr. Banfield said he had noticed the movement of Eskimos while preparing to make a count of caribou. Recently he saw an estimated 100,000 caribou crossing the railway line in a 10-mile front near Churchill, Man.

He offered the opinion the decline in caribou herds is due not so much to the increase of civilization or killings by wolves as to the use of repeating rifles by the natives.

There is a movement of Eskimos from Canada's mainland to the Caribou are reported in numbers on the west shore of Baffin Island, Mr. Banfield said, but there are few on the eastern shore, which already is populated by Eskimos.

Melville Peninsula to Baffin Island, people of northern Manitoba that the abundance of caribou which they see on the biennial migrations is not general in Canada, and that belief in the inexhaustibility of herds had led to their decimation in the eastern Arctic and Alaska regions.

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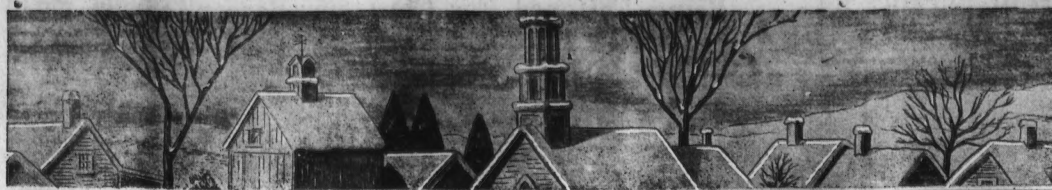
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Wishing You All A MERRY CHRISTMAS



And mamma in her kerchief,
and I in my cap,
Had settled our brains for
a long winter's nap,
When out on the lawn there
rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to
see what was the matter
Away to the window I flew
like a flash,
Tore open the shutters
and threw up the sash.



The moon on the breast of
the new-fallen snow,
Gave a lustre of mid-day
to objects below;
When what to my wonder-
ing eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and
eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver so
lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it
must be St. Nick.



More rapid than eagles his
couriers they came,
He whistled and shouted,
and called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now,
Prancer! now, Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Comet! on, Don-
der and Blitzen!"
To the top of the porch,
to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away,
dash away all!



As dry leaves that before
the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an ob-
stacle, mount to the sky,
So, up to the house-top the
couriers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys
and St. Nicholas too,
And then in a twinkling I
heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing
of each little hoof.

A Visit from St. Nicholas



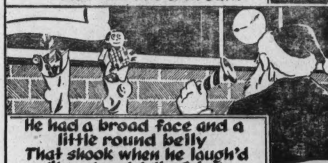
'Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring,
not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by
the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas
soon would be there;
The children were nestled all
snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums
danced through their heads.



As I drew in my head and
was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nich-
olas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from
his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tar-
nish'd with ashes and soot.
A bundle of toys he had
flung on his back,
And he look'd like a peddler
just opening his pack.



His eyes how they twinkled!
his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses,
his nose like a cherry.
His droll little mouth was
drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin
was as white as the snow.
The stump of his pipe he
held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled
his head like a wreath.



He had a broad face and a
little round belly
That shook when he laugh'd
like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump,
a right jolly old elf—
And I laugh'd when I saw
him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye and a
twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had
nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word but
went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings;
then turned with a jerk



And laying his finger aside
of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the
chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to
his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like
the down of a thistle!
But I heard him exclaim, ere
he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all
and to all a good-night!"

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